

Soon the community was divided into two groups: the "Let him Preach" group and the "He Aint Preaching" group. The two groups agreed to vote on it and set a meeting for Sunday morning, July 21, 1912. Someone locked the door of the meeting house, likely to keep the Preacher from preaching. Word got around that the door to the church was locked. Those who sided with Stamps vowed to break the doors down. So, both sides sent "Paul Revere riders" throughout the town, telling them to bring their firearms to the scheduled Sunday church meeting.

On Sunday morning, both sides showed up at the locked church building. Many had not only packed a lunch, but they also put their knives and pistols in their wagons just in case there was trouble. The obvious argument between the two sides erupted, and guns and knives were brandished. Unkind words may have been uttered as well.

Eventually, the "Let him preach" (in the building) crowd backed off. So preacher Stamps had to preach under a nearby tree. Later, a makeshift structure was erected for Stamps to preach all summer long under some shade—but he could not enter the church building.

However, the churchgoers headed off to court the next day. Both sides filed assault and disorderly conduct charges on the other with a nearby local Justice of the Peace (JP). Obscene language charges were alleged as well. (I guess unkind words were actually spoken at the church house by the church goers.)

When the JP inquired of a witness where the altercation took place in the County, a witness not knowing the actual location replied that it happened at the place of the cutting and shooting fight. The name Cut and Shoot stuck, and the rest is Texas history.

Let it be known that the names of Texas towns are not random, but a living symbol of what once was. They give us Texans a peak into how life used to be. The names of these towns represent vivid stories about culture and community with just a couple of words, all adding to the rich history of our great state.

And that's just the way it is.

#### A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO BRUCE WAYNE PHILPOTT

### HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 9, 2014*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Bruce Wayne Philpott of Pasadena, California, former Pasadena Police Chief, who passed away on Tuesday, July 29, 2014, after courageously battling a prolonged illness.

Born in Portland, Oregon on January 8, 1944, to Vernon and Zoe Philpott, Bruce grew up in Portland and later, in Sunland, California. A natural athlete, Bruce enjoyed sports, especially baseball, hiking and camping, and fishing trips with his father and his two brothers, Kent and Gary. He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from California State University Los Angeles and completed graduate studies at the University of Southern California School of Public Administration.

As a young man, Bruce became a law enforcement officer with the Pasadena Police

Department. He served the police department with honor and distinction for 28 years, successfully moving through the ranks to the position of Chief of Police. In addition to his work with the police department, Chief Philpott served his community as a Special Assistant to the Pasadena City Manager and Director of Northwest Development, commander of the Pasadena Fire Department's Support Services Division, as well as teaching classes at Pasadena High School and Pasadena City College. He received several awards including the Community Ethics Award from the Glendale Character and Ethics Project, the Brotherhood Citation from the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and the Pasadena Police Department's Silver Award of Merit.

After his retirement, in 1991, Chief Philpott continued to ardently serve his community through political activism and volunteering with numerous organizations. He was known for being outspoken and tenacious, with a passion for social justice and advocating for youth, especially related to inequity and poverty. Bruce helped revitalize the northwest Pasadena community and played a significant role in the Villa Parke youth boxing program. He was the co-founder and served on the board of the Community Non-Violence Resource Center, co-founder and Board President of Day One, a nonprofit organization focused on addressing issues of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse in Pasadena area youth, and he developed and facilitated the Partnership Workshop, Healing the Heart of America, A National Cities Conference, in Richmond, Virginia. In addition, he served on the board of directors for the Jackie Robinson Foundation, Pasadena Boys and Girls Club, Pasadena Planned Parenthood, Child Health Foundation and the Western Justice Center Foundation.

Bruce is survived by his three children, Kris Strong, Kelly Sturgeon and Greg Philpott, his brother, Kent Philpott, and his five grandchildren, Dustin, Samantha, Carson, Nicole and Mark.

Chief Philpott was an irreplaceable part of our community, and he will be greatly missed. A model public servant and a man of impeccable character, I ask all members to join me in remembering Bruce Wayne Philpott.

#### RECOGNIZING VALERIE RASCHKE

### HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 9, 2014*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Valerie (Val) Raschke who is transitioning from her position as Congressional Representative after serving the district for nearly two years.

Val served as District Scheduler and Marin County Field Representative for California's 6th District State Assembly Office for five years prior to joining California's 2nd Congressional District Office staff at the beginning of the 113th Congress. Val's steadfast devotion to the constituents of Marin County and Sonoma County performing a myriad of assignments helped countless individuals throughout the region tackle challenging issues. With a special attention to veterans' services, Val worked tirelessly to improve conditions for others. Her work with the military

academy nominations helped many students navigate the applications process in hopes of serving the country.

Val served as my trusted representative in many community events where she was always regarded for her professional and thoughtful manner. Her expertise and personal flair in the creation of hundreds of certificates of recognition over the years, and more recently, CONGRESSIONAL RECORD statements, were greatly valued by the many recipients of these honors. Revered for her strong work ethic, command of the written language, competence for managing sophisticated database systems, and wonderful sense of humor, Val has been an invaluable member of my staff in the State Assembly and the Second Congressional District and will be missed.

The residents of our congressional districts are better off today thanks to the work of Val Raschke. Her commitment to advocating for individuals in need of federal assistance is appreciated and we wish her continued success in the future. Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we honor and thank Val for her many years of invaluable service to the people of Marin and Sonoma counties.

#### IN MEMORY OF JONATHAN FRENCH

### HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 9, 2014*

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Jonathan French of Glendale, KY. Only 25 years old, Jonathan was killed in a tragic accident while doing his job as a volunteer firefighter.

Jonathan's death represents the first on-duty firefighter to be killed in the line of duty there since July 1970. The entire Hardin County community is grieving the loss—a young man who was a son, a brother, a mentor and a fiancé.

His interests included hunting and rooting for the University of Kentucky's basketball team, but his passion was firefighting. A fellow Glendale volunteer firefighter reiterated that in an interview with the local paper, The News-Enterprise. "He loved keeping the fire trucks clean. He took his firefighting seriously. He was one heck of a good man."

A dedicated public servant, Jonathan was taken too soon. But his legacy and strong desire to serve his community will surely continue. I join with Kentucky's Second District in sending prayers to Jonathan's family. We will miss him and are thankful for his service.

#### HONORING DR. EDWARD GETTEMEIER

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 9, 2014*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize the outstanding achievement of Dr. Edward Gettemeier. Dr. Gettemeier is the principal of Hardin Middle School in St. Charles, Missouri, and has been selected by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals as the 2014 Missouri